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1. Miron (051/F95).

- a. On 23 February 1953 about 30 Air Force lieutenants with gold epaulets entrained at Zakupy (051/F85) on the morning train bound for Liberec (051/G16). The officers wore field uniforms and were equipped with gas masks, pistols, and leather map folders. At Linen they were joined by another group of about 30 Air Force lieutenants. These officers had silver epaulets and all were 40 to 50 years old. An Air Force major and staff captain saw them off at the station. 25X1
- b. The military construction on the northern outskirts of Linen, which was begun in Autumn 1952, is speedily progressing. The lay-out of the construction site is shown in Annex 1. * Eight three-story buildings each about 60 meters long and 20 meters wide were so far built and roofed. Foundations for at least two further buildings are being dug.
- c. The following military vehicles were observed in the town:

truck, 3 ton, carried about 20 Air Force men
bus, carried Air Force personnel
jeep, Air Force driver, carrying army officers
truck, 3 ton
truck, 5 ton, carrying soldiers

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2. Straz pod Ralskem (051/P95).

- a. On 24 February 1963 a freight train consisting of 12 boxcars brought to the Arniste (CSL/P95) railroad station 64 motorcycles and unknown number of heavy wooden boxes. Two military 3-ton trucks, [] moved the material to the military barracks in Straz pod Ralskom. A number of enlisted men were observed within the barracks area on fatigue duties.

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- b. A military labor detachment about 60 men strong, which is billeted at the local military estate mansions, was observed felling trees in the woods west of the town.
- c. The castle which was last autumn being restored for military use is not yet habitable. There are no windows and the whole place seems to be far from finished.

3. Varnsdorf (051/F87).

- a. On 16 February 1953 formations of the recently created Interior Guard (vnitrni straz) marched through the town. Fourteen columns, each 30 men strong, were counted. They were led by junior officers with silver epaulets on a purple base and ultramarine garrison caps with purple piping. The men had purple lapel patches with a bronze symbol of a sword and a red star encircled by a wreath.* * The training of the Interior Guard was controlled by army senior lieutenants and captains.
- b. The following military vehicles were observed in the town:

passenger car, driver with red bordered brown epaulets
 carrying an infantry major and engineer corps captain
 ambulance
 ambulance
 truck, 3 ton
 truck, 3 ton, carrying Interior Guard members
 truck, 3 ton, carrying Interior Guard members.

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Comment: sketch of the symbol is shown in
 Annex 1.

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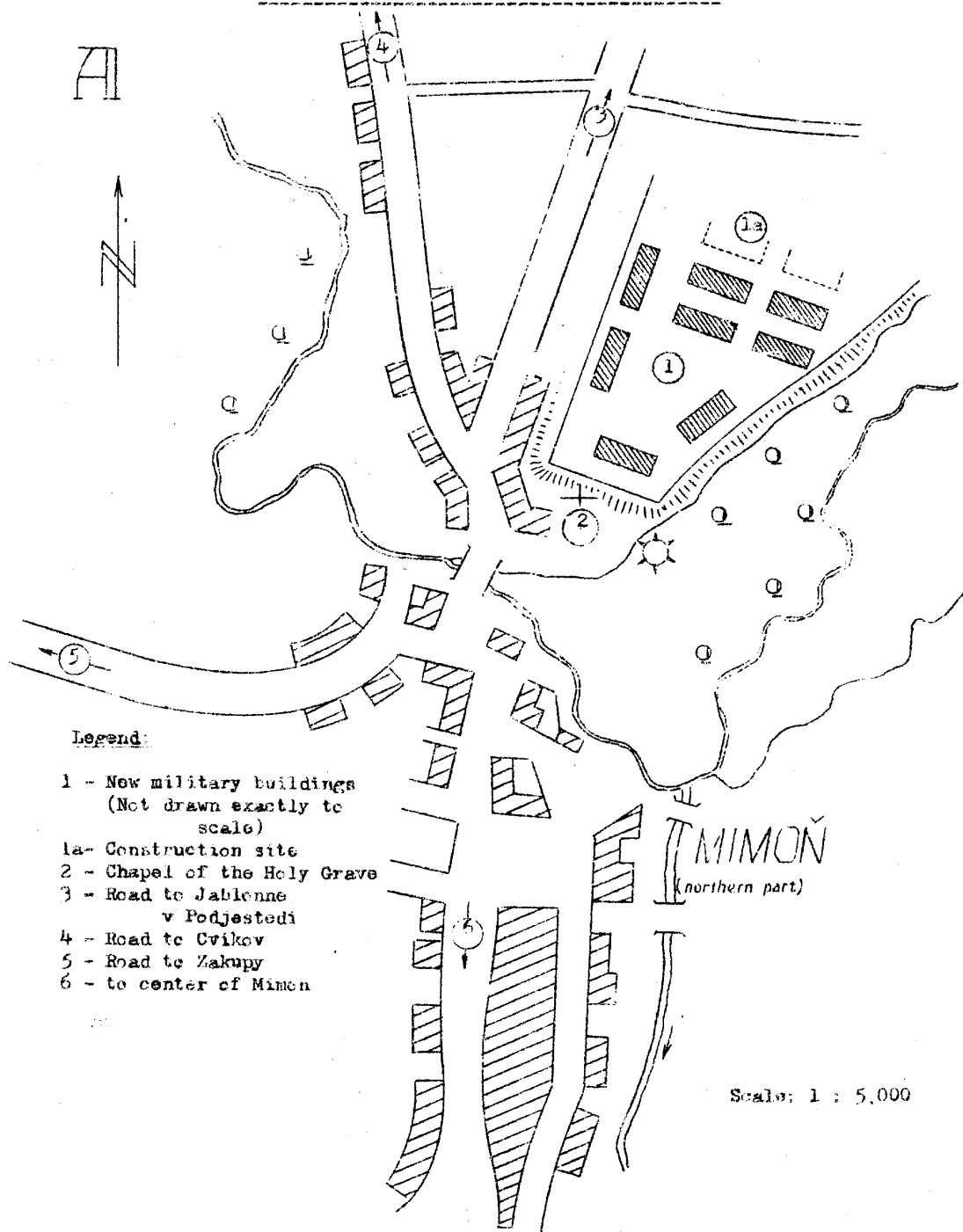
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ANNEX 1

NEW MILITARY BUILDINGS AT MIMON (051/F95)

Legend:

- 1 - New military buildings
(Not drawn exactly to scale)
- 1a - Construction site
- 2 - Chapel of the Holy Grave
- 3 - Road to Jablonne
v Podjestedi
- 4 - Road to Cvikov
- 5 - Road to Zakupy
- 6 - to center of Mimon

Scale: 1 : 5,000

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Badge of Interior GuardApproximately
original size

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